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Dear Parents,

Believe it or not, the time has come to apply for the 2010 Summer Program. The Hingham Recreation Department staff has been planning for summer 2010 since before last summer ended! I hope you will be pleased with the results of our efforts to provide your children with a fun and exciting experience here at Hingham Recreation.

The 2010 Summer Program will be staffed by a dynamic group of counselors. They will be assisted by an energetic group of "Leaders In Training". CAP (Children After Playground) will again be offered as an option to extend the fun until 5PM for an additional fee. Children are also encouraged to apply for more than one 2-week session.

The goal of the summer program is to provide your children with an opportunity to meet new people, make new friends, enjoy old friends, learn new activities, improve their social skills, and offer a sense of belonging. Children will be encouraged to participate in new learning experiences. We will also strive to create an atmosphere that is friendly and inviting. Activities planned include sports, field games, swimming, arts and crafts, and field trips. Theme days will also be a staple this summer and will feature coordinated activities, performances, and crafts. Finally, entertainers are being scheduled to perform for the children throughout the program.

The **Playground Program** for children 6 (or completed kindergarten) through 12 years of age will consist of four 2-week sessions beginning June 28th and ending August 20th. The fee per session is \$225. The program runs Monday - Friday from 9AM until 3PM. CAP (Children After Playground) is an extended day option until 5PM for an additional fee of \$80 per session.

The **Preschool Program** is for children 4 and 5 years of age. The fee for the Morning Only program is \$175 per session. The fee for the Lunch Bunch program is \$255 per session. The Preschool Program is scheduled for three 2-week sessions beginning June 28th and will be held at a Hingham Public School, which will be determined by the School Department in the near future. The Morning Only program will run from 8:45 AM until 11:45 AM. The Lunch Bunch Program will run from 8:45 AM until 2:45 PM. This staggered time allows for drop off and pick up of siblings who may also be attending the Playground Program at the Recreation Center. There is no extended day option for the Preschool Program.

These programs are for Hingham residents only (residency may be verified). All registrations will be determined by a lottery to be held the first week in February. All applications must be submitted via mail, postmarked between **January 5th and January 31st**. Please indicate **"Summer Program Lottery"** on the exterior of the envelope. Applications must include all requested information and full payment. If your first choice is unavailable, your child will automatically be registered for your second choice, etc. Please submit a separate check for each child, program, and session payable to "Hingham Recreation". Checks will only be deposited for all children, programs, and sessions in which they are accepted. All remaining checks will be held in the office. Applications within the immediate family must be sent together and must be in the same envelope. Siblings will be accommodated whenever possible.

Lottery results will be posted in the Recreation Center as soon as possible. Lottery results are final. Lottery waiting lists will be maintained and implemented. Applications that are incomplete, submitted outside the prescribed dates, or without full payment for each child, program, and session will be disqualified from the lottery. Returned checks will result in removal from the lottery. All requests for refunds must be in writing and received prior to March 31, 2010.

Please call if you have any questions, concerns, or comments. Thank you for your continued support of the Recreation Department. It is with great anticipation and excitement that we look forward to seeing your children next summer.

Sincerely,

Hingham Recreation Staff